Michigan Waste Industries Association Testimony Before House Committee on Great Lakes and Environment March 28, 2007

Good afternoon madam chair and members of the committee. Once again my name is Dan Batts and I am president of Michigan Waste Industries Association (MWIA).

I would like to thank you for the opportunity today to comment on HB 4485 and HB4486. In light of the fact that you, madam chair intend to engage a subcommittee (work group) to review and discuss these bills in detail my comments are general in scope, and pertain to both bills.

We, as an Association have reviewed HB 4485 and HB 4486 and find ourselves at a loss as to the intended goals and benefits of the proposed legislation. We would ask that as a starting point for our discussions on these bills at the first sub-committee meeting, you would have the authors of the bills walk us through what it is they intend to accomplish, and how these proposed bills will work to attain that goal.

We are thankful to you madam chair for taking the time to discuss and understand the issues before your committee and pledge to you our commitment as an Association to actively and in a positive manner participate in these discussions.

Thank You.